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In re Patent Application of

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SENDING ELECTRONIC
MAIL AND COMPUTER READABLE STORAGE SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 8, the third and fourth full paragraphs, lines 17-
24, replace the paragraphs with:

--When the electronic mail is made by means of the
transmit mail controller 12, and the user performs the
operation to transmit the electronic mail, the transmit mail
controller 12 starts up the mail analyzer.

The mail analyzer 14 checks whether or not a file has
been attached to the electronic mail that was made and checks

if a copy distribution (CC, BCC) was set or not for the recipients.--

Page 11, the second full paragraph, lines 15-22, replace the paragraph with:

--The electronic mail client terminal 10 of this invention is comprised of a file converter 15 and an address mail maker 16 so that an electronic mail with attached file capable of being written is sent to the main recipient (TO) just by making an electronic mail with attached file the same as for ordinary mail software, and making electronic mail with attached files in a format not allowing writing for other recipient (CC, BCC).--

Page 13, the third full paragraph, lines 18-23, replace the paragraph with:

--When the mail analyzer 23 specifies electronic mail with attached file and besides the main recipient also specifies 20 the copy distribution address (CC, BCC), the attached file is supplied to the file converter 24, and the destination address is supplied to the header, the main text of the electronic mail, and the attached file is supplied to the address mail maker 25.--

Page 14, the first full paragraph, lines 6-13, replace the paragraph with:

--Specific examples of attached files are assumed to be a variety of files such as text files made by a word processor, files made by spreadsheet software, files made by CAD software and HTML files utilized for displaying home pages. The file converter 24 may convert the contents of the attached file to print output images, and converts the print output images to data for still images, and generates image data format files or facsimile format files.--

REMARKS

Examination is requested.

Changes have been made to the specification to ensure that the same terms have been used throughout the disclosure.

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**MARKED UP VERSION OF REPLACED
PARAGRAPH(S) OF THE SPECIFICATION**

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The mail analyzer [analysis means] 14 checks whether or not a file has been attached to the electronic mail that was made and checks if a copy distribution (CC, BCC) was set or not for the recipients.--

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